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SUBJECT: GDR AMBASSADOR'S CLAIMS ON STATUS OF " FIRST LIST" HUMANITAR-
IAN CASES.

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1. WE NOTE THE STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR SIEBER
TO ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN ON JULY 8
THAT " OVER 50 PERCENT OF THE ORIGINAL US LIST HAD BEEN SETTLED
POSITIVELY" (SEE PARA 6, REFTEL. SOME CLARIFICATION OF
THATSTATEMENT IS NEEDED TO PLACE IT IN PERSPECTIVE. OF
THE ORIGINAL 27"FIRST LIST" CASES, SOME FOURTEEN(14)
ARE CARRIED IN OUR FILES AS "CLOSED".

A. TEN(10) WERE COMPLETED WITH GDR APPROVAL FOR
DEPARTURE BEING GIVEN AND WITH THE PRINCIPALS NOW OUT OF
THE GDR. THESE ARE:BUSCHMANN/KUPFER, DECHO/CHASE,
ENGEL/KNOP, GRUETZNER/LOTT, KLIENDINEST/WOLFE, KRENKEL/
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DONLON, MATTHES:CARRERA, SERAPHIN/KIMBARK, STARKE/HOFFMANN, AND STAUD

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ENMEIR/PRICE.
B. ONE(1) ARNOLD/SCHUETT, WAS CONCLUDED SUCCESSFULLY BECAUSE THE GERMAN IN QUESTION WAS EXFILTRATED OUT OF THE GDR, OBVIOUSLY AGAINST HE WILL OF THIS REGIME(SEE 75 ERLIN 6959).
C. THREE(3), HEISE/CATTOOR, KORN/ARTZ, AND SENSKE/ RICE, ARE INACTIVE BECAUSE THE PRINCIPALS ADVISED US THAT THEY WERE NO LONGER INTERSTEDIN TRAVEL TO THE U.S. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE GDR CAN CLAIM CREDIT FOR THE CONCLU-SION OF THESE CASES.

2. OF THE THIRTEEN(13) STILL PENDING CASES, THEIR STATUS BREAKS DOWN AS FOLLOWS:

A. THREE, BERGHOLZ/CARL, MEYER/DARKANGELO, MOSBACH/ GABRINI, HAVE NOT ESTALBISHED CONTACT WITH US YET.
B. TWO, FUNK/EHLERT, AN GEYER/TUMACDER, MAY BE CANCELLING INTEREST.
C. ONE, HANDAU/RALEY, IS IN PRISON ANDWE HAVE NOT YET LEARNED THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THEGDR PRINCIPAL'S SITUATION OR FUTURE INTENTIONS.
D. ONE, HARRIS/HARRIS, IS BEING HELD OPEN BECAUSE THE GDR PRINCIPAL WHO EXPRESSED DISINTEREST IN TRAVEL TO THE U.S. IS A MINOR.
E. ONE, HENZE/FILIPOVICE, IS DEAD AND WE HAVE NOT YET LEARNED THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS DEMISE.
F. FIVE, MARX/MARX, PARTECKE/DOBROSKI, PROTSCH/ RINGS, SCHNEIDER/DI SCIOSCIA, AND STODDER/HENDERSON ARE ACTIVE CASES WHERE THE PRINCIPALS ARE INTERESTED IN TRAVEL TO THE U.S. AND THE GDR HAS NOT YET ACTUALLY RELEASED THEM.

3. TO SUMMARIZE, THE GDR HAS " COOPERATED" TO SOLVE ONE OUT OF THE ORIGINAL 27 CASES OR ABOUT 37PERCENT. WE DO NOT BELIEVETHIS RECORD IS IMPRESSIVE AFTER MORE THAN TWO YEARS SINCE THE " FIRST LIST" WE HANDED TO THE GDR DELEGATION IN WASHINGTON IN SUMMER, 1974. WE NOTE THAT ONLY ONE OF THE TEN CASES RESOLVED AND LISTED IN PARA .1.A ABOVE WAS COMPLETED SINCE APRIL 1976 WHEN CASE-BY-CASE REVIEW BETWEEN THE MFA AND THE EMBASSY
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